# JENNY R. NICOLAS

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**EDUCATION** 

University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK

Class of 2017

Masters in Chemistry with Year in Industry with Honours Erasmus Award (2015), Edinburgh Award Recipient (2014)

The Bronx High School of Science, Bronx, NY

Class of 2012

### PROFESSIONAL OBJECTIVE

To contribute positively to society by using my technical mindset and dynamic leadership style to advance renewable energy. As a self-motivated, enthusiastic, and team-oriented project manager, I am continuously looking for challenges that allow me to grow professionally and help those around me. Areas of interest include materials science, urban infrastructure, and community engagement.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Distributed Solar Development, LLC (formerly GE Solar)**

New York, NY 02/2020–Present

Project Manager

- Direct various solar and energy storage projects and portfolios from contract to construction stage, including permitting and interconnection processes
- Lead Deal Teams including internal members and various external sub-contractors to ensure projects meet conditions precedent and subsequent financial closure while accurately depicting timelines and decreasing projected budgets, where possible
- Employ strong knowledge of Northeast landscape to conduct due diligence and assist in acquisitions Development Associate

07/2019-02/2020

- Initiated and grew Wholesale Capacity Market ventures, earning business backside revenue
- Selected for special Task Force on assessing Community Solar business opportunities and implementing strategy to strengthen business efforts within this space
- Utilize market intel experience on key states like MA, NY, CT, NJ, and MD to draft RFP responses. *Development Analyst, GE Solar Performance Award (2019)*

11/2018-07/2019

- Managed and streamlined interconnection process for portfolio of over 100MWs of PV and energy storage projects distributed across 10 states
- Secured and managed incentive funds of \$25MM among 8 incentive programs including NY-Sun, MA SMART, CA SGIP, and IL ABP programs

### The Albert and Mary Lasker Foundation

New York, NY 01-10/2018

Researcher

- Researched current scientific issues and provided input into organizational strategy
- Used multi-media communication approaches to reach diverse constituencies

### **Procter & Gamble Brussels Innovation Centre**

Brussels, BE

Research & Development Scientist, P&G Pearl Power of People Award for Leadership (2016)

07/2015-06/2016

- Conceived, developed and led team to optimize the key technology blocks in detergent formulations and their impact on consumer perception to drive product sales growth
- Spearheaded efforts for the Sustainability Team to organize informative events and engagement

### J.P. Morgan

New York, NY 07-08/2012

Intern

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Explored trends and analyzed data for Technology, Media and Telecom and Natural Resources sectors

07-08/2011

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

# City College of New York, Chemical Engineering Department, Professor Robert Messinger

New York, NY

• Examined and developed novel alternative non-corrosive and high voltage electrolytes for rechargeable aluminum batteries

07-10/2018

# University of Edinburgh, Chemistry Department, Professor Colin Pulham

Edinburgh, UK

• Investigated phase change materials in collaboration with Sunamp Ltd. for use in commercial and domestic heating storage leading to a patent filing

10/2016–03/2017

### **Intel Science Talent Search and NYCSEF**

New York, NY

• Submitted independent original research entitled *An Analysis of Overweightedness/Obesity and Marijuana Usage*, winning second place in the New York City Science and Engineering Fair

11/2012

#### VOLUNTEERING

### GreenHomeNYC

11/2017-Present

• Lead Forums Committee member, responsible for managing monthly forums programming on topics related to sustainability and the-built environment

# Pint of Science

10/2016-Present

• Event Manager for NYC and Edinburgh's chapter of the international science festival

## Pro Science and National STEM Ambassador Program

09/2013-06/2015

• Committee member and tutor of chemistry to pupils in Edinburgh high schools